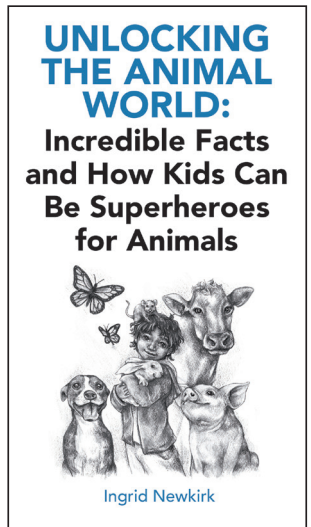


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# Love Isn't Just for Humans



1. Sometimes, animals show love much like we do. Other times, it can look a little different. Has a dog ever licked your hands and face? We would probably laugh and run away if a human tried to do this. But we know that's how dogs give kisses. No matter how animals choose to say "I love you," one thing is for certain: Their love is sincere.
2. Elephants use their trunks to show affection. They give gentle pats and rubs and wrap their trunks together just like humans join hands. They even compete in friendly games of trunk wrestling!
3. Tarra is an Asian elephant who was taken from her home and family when she was only 6 months old. She wasn't allowed to play and was forced to perform in circuses, at amusement parks, and on television. But then her caretaker realized that this isn't the way animals should be treated. She wanted to do what was best for Tarra and started an elephant sanctuary. Tarra was delighted. She could roam hundreds of acres of land and forests that mimicked her natural home in Asia. She munched on watermelons and even swam across a 25-acre pond using her trunk like a snorkel. Best of all, Tarra got to make friends. She finally had a herd of elephant buddies just as she would have had in nature. And soon Tarra had picked her best friend. But she wasn't another elephant. A stray dog named Bella had walked into the sanctuary, and she and Tarra liked each other instantly. Bella stayed, and the friends went for long walks, played, ate together, and slept next to each other. Tarra would even pet Bella with her trunk and give her soft tummy rubs with her huge foot.
4. One day, Bella got injured. Workers took her to the sanctuary's office, where they would take care of her. For weeks, Tarra stayed outside the building and kept an eye on her friend. Caregivers carried Bella outside every day so they could see each other. And as soon as Bella healed, she darted outside to see Tarra. The two friends ran off to discover their next adventure.

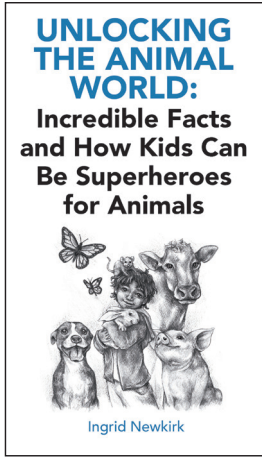


## Making Inferences:

- 1) Why do you think living at a sanctuary was a beneficial change in Tarra's life?
- 2) Why do you think Tarra and Bella became friends?
- 3) Make an inference about paragraph four.

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	Evidence (what you see or read)	+	Prior Knowledge (what you already know)	=	Inference
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2.					
3.					

# Answer Sheet

## Making Inferences: Love Isn't Just for Humans

(Answers may vary.)

	<b>Evidence</b> (what you see or read)	<b>Prior Knowledge</b> (what you already know)	<b>Inference</b>
<b>1.</b>	Before, Tarra was forced to perform in circuses, at amusement parks, and on television. At the sanctuary, she got to roam hundreds of acres of land with forests. She also munched on watermelons and swam across a 25-acre pond using her trunk like a snorkel.	In their natural habitat, elephants enjoy roaming freely across the land and like to play in the water.	At the sanctuary, Tarra had more freedom to move around as she liked and do activities that were enjoyable to her. All living beings want freedom and the ability to take part in activities they enjoy, so it was a great benefit for Tarra to live at the sanctuary.
<b>2.</b>	Bella and Tarra liked each other instantly. They went for long walks, played, ate together, and slept next to each other.	When she was homeless, Bella was alone and didn't have any friends. Dogs and elephants both like to have friends.	Sometimes individuals who appear to be very different from each other actually have a lot in common. Even though Tarra and Bella were different types of animals, they liked to do the same things, such as going for walks and playing, and they enjoyed being together.
<b>3.</b>	After Bella hurt herself and had to stay in the sanctuary office, Tarra stayed outside the building, keeping an eye on her. As soon as Bella had healed, she darted outside to see Tarra and the two ran off together.	It can be very upsetting when someone you care about gets hurt and a very joyous occasion when they have healed.	Tarra and Bella loved each other and couldn't wait to spend time together again.